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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of nearly
2 460,000 women each year, more than the next four leading causes of
3 death combined, including all forms of cancer; and

4 WHEREAS, While only 20 percent of women consider
5 cardiovascular disease their greatest health risk, some 53 percent
6 of cardiovascular disease deaths and more than 60 percent of stroke
7 deaths occur in females; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2010, the direct and indirect cost of treating
9 heart attacks, strokes, and other cardiovascular diseases in the
10 United States was estimated to be \$503.2 billion; and

11 WHEREAS, The American Heart Association has designated
12 February as American Heart Month, and as part of the effort to raise
13 awareness about heart disease and stroke, the Go Red For Women
14 campaign works to change the perception that heart disease occurs
15 only in men; moreover, the campaign encourages women to learn their
16 own personal risk for coronary disease by using such tools as the
17 American Heart Association Go Red For Women Heart CheckUp and Go Red
18 For Women Better U and by talking to their health care providers;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Go Red For Women serves as a powerful reminder that
21 by taking charge of their heart health women can live stronger,
22 longer lives; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
24 Legislature hereby recognize February 4, 2011, as National Wear Red

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1 Day and encourage all Texans to show their support for women and the
2 fight against heart disease by wearing the color red.